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Strand et al.

Docket No.: 8160.16016-CIP DIV

09/774,275

Examiner: Jes F. Pascua

Filed:

30 January 2001

Group Art Unit: 3727

For:

A Resealable Bag for Filling with Food Product(s) and Method

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. RECEIVED

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STATUS

2.	Applica	ant is
	[]	a small entity
	[x]	other than a small entity.
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Service of	n the date	this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United State Postal e shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed as follows: Commissioner for 150, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
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EXTENSION OF TERM

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NOTE:	Non-Fi	'Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) - If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.							
	a Notic	e of Appea elv-filed res	nt or filing and/or entry of sponse placed the appli	of an additional amendment a cation in condition for allowar	ension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless nce. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).				
NOTE:	See 37 CFR 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time reexamination proceedings.								
3.	The p	proceedi	ngs herein are fo	r a patent application	and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply				
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(b) [] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

OR

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee (Small Entity)	Additional Fee (Large Entity)
Total Claims 37 CFR 1.16(c)*	39	-105 =	(66)	x \$ 9.00	\$0	\$0
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)**	4	- 11=	(7)	x \$ 42.00	\$0	\$ 0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent claim(s) if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))				\$140.00	\$0	\$0
Total Additional Fee					\$0	\$0

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WARNING: "After final rejection or action (S 1.113) amendments may be made cancelling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 CFR S 1.116(a) (emphasis added).

(complete (c) or (d) as applicable)

(c)	[x]	No additional fee for claims is required.		
		OR		
(d)	[]	Total additional fee for claims required \$		
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A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

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6. [x] If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 06-2360.

AND/OR

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

AMENDMENT E

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated 15 April 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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